

February 1, 2022

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The Dallas County Board of Supervisors met in regular session pursuant to board rules with Chairman Mark Hanson, Supervisor Brad Golightly and Supervisor Kim Chapman present. Others present: Rob Tietz – Operations Director, Beth Deardorff – Human Resources Director, Melinda Harney – Administrative Coordinator, Julia Helm – DC Auditor, Al Miller - DC Engineer, Andy Case – Engineer’s Office, Mike Wallace – Conservation Director, Jim Uthe – Roads, Chad Leonard - DC Sheriff, Eric Wessels - DC Soil and Water Commission, John Swanson - Polk Co. Watershed, Jennifer Welch - Urban Conservationist, Laura James – Beaver Creek Watershed Coordinator, Peggy Ann Sieleman, ReNae Arnold and Dustin Teays– Raccoon Valley Radi.o

**Item 1:** Call to Order - Chairman Hanson called the meeting to order at 9:06 a.m.

**Item 2:** Approve Agenda - Motion by Chapman and seconded by Golightly to approve the agenda as presented. All ayes. Motion carried

**Item 3:** Pledge of Allegiance

**Item 4:** Open Forum – Hanson said that in the Boardroom there are several historical maps from before and after 1846 when Iowa became a state. Also, he displayed several wetland and watershed maps. Hanson then presented a power point presentation about Dallas County Iowa.

**Item 5:** Consent Agenda

A) Payroll & disbursements from 1/28/2022

Motion by Golightly and seconded by Chapman to approve the consent agenda. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Item 6:** Disc/Action Re: Supervisors Minutes from 01/25/2022

Motion by Chapman and seconded by Golightly to approve the 1/25/2022 minutes as presented. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Item 7:** Disc/Action Re: Payroll Change Notices

Beth Deardorff presented the following payroll change notices:

Conservation – Request to hire 3 Seasonal Natural Resources Techs

- Request to hire 3 Seasonal Maintenance Workers
- Request to hire a Forest Park Museum Intern

Motion by Golightly and seconded by Chapman to receive and file the payroll changes from Conservation Department as submitted. All ayes. Motion carried.

**Item 8:** Disc/Action Re: Engineer’s Request for out of state travel

The National Association of County Engineers (NACE) Annual Conference is April 24-27, 2022, in Buffalo, NY.

Motion by Chapman and seconded by Golightly to approve Dallas County Engineer’s out of state travel.

All ayes. Motion carried.

**Item 9:** Disc/Action Re: Wetland Bank Workshop

Mike Wallace, Conservation Director, said he discussed a new wetland bank with the Army Core of Engineers and the emphasis from the Core has changed. He stated that anything new will need to be at least a 25-credit project and it must have a physical connection to a waterway. Wallace said that moving forward with a new wetland bank will be more difficult.

Wallace said that the Army Core of Engineers will work with Dallas County on an addition to our existing Voas Wetland Bank. He said there is currently a 40-acre parcel that has not been developed into wetland yet. Wallace said that he has been looking at adjacent parcels. He said that he has contacted landowners, one was not receptive but the two others were. He said he will send the parcels to the Army Core of Engineers for analysis and after the analysis landowners will be contacted again.

#### Dallas County Farm Wetland Project

Hanson said that the County Farm wetland project in conjunction with the Iowa Department of Land Stewardship will be constructed in the summer. Hanson said that DMACC will use this wetland as a demonstration and educational site.

**Item 10:** Disc/Action Re: Wetland Updates

John Swanson works on watersheds in Polk and surrounding counties.

Walnut Creek Regional Basin (Dallas County) what needs to be built and get funding to build structures.

Swanson said that flooding is a major concern and building a structure upstream to slow the water down is the goal. He said that there is a good place to build a structure that would slow water between Grimes and Dallas Center south of Hwy 44.

#### The Blitz – Treating Tile Outlets

Swanson said that these can be treated like a public improvement project where the landowner does not have to fill out the paperwork. Polk County handles the grant funding for the project. Swanson said this program is working as they are planning to do 85 installs in Polk/Story Counties in 2023 and are looking into expansion in Boone and Dallas Counties in the future.

Jennifer Welch, Urban Conservationist, she lives between Woodward and Granger.

Beaver Creek

Welch said that in 2022 she is developing the Beaver Creek Greenway through Polk County with a potential expansion into Dallas Co.

Updating Storm water Ordinances

Welch said her group has worked with 17 communities across Central Iowa to set uniform requirements  
Key elements

- Standardized modeling requirements
- Unified sizing criteria
- Flexibility for developers

**Item 11: Disc/Action Re: Board Appointments**

A) Resolution 2022-0020

Motion by Golightly and seconded by Chapman to approve Resolution 2022-0020. All ayes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-0020**

**BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** that the Dallas County Board of Supervisors appoint the following Township Trustee to fulfill a township trustee vacancy.

**WALNUT**  
Greg Grote  
26762 T Avenue  
Dallas Center, IA 50063

**TERM EXPIRES:**  
December 2022

**AYE**  
Mark A. Hanson, Chairman  
Brad Golightly, Member  
Kim Chapman, Member

**NAY**

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2022  
ATTEST: Julia Helm, Dallas County Auditor

B) Resolution 2022-0021 Weed Commissioner

Motion by Chapman and seconded by Golightly to approve Resolution 2022-0021. All ayes. Motion carried.

**RESOLUTION 2022-0021**

**WHEREAS**, the Dallas County Board of Supervisors are required to appoint a County Weed Commissioner per the Code of Iowa, Chapter 317.3 annually,

**THEREFORE, BE AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Dallas County Board of Supervisors to appoint James Uthe, 415 River Street, Adel, Iowa 50003, Phone # (515)993-9880 as Dallas County Weed Commissioner. Monthly salary April 2022 through June 2022 will be \$1018.42 per Resolution 2021-0018. Salary for FY23 up to \$6232.74 to be paid monthly in the amount of \$1038.79 over a 6-month period starting July 2022 through September 2022 and upon reappointment resume April 2023 through June 2023.

This appointment shall be effective April 1, 2022, and he shall perform the powers and duties of County Weed Commissioner during the period of April through September, 2022, or as authorized by the Board of Supervisors. Compensation shall be for actual and necessary expenses incurred while carrying out the duties of the Weed Commissioner.

**AYE**  
Mark A. Hanson, Chairman  
Kim Chapman, Member  
Brad Golightly, Member

**NAY**

Dated this 1<sup>st</sup> day of February, 2022  
ATTEST: Julia Helm, Dallas County Auditor

The Board recessed at 10:30 a.m. and reconvened at 10:38 a.m.

**Item 12: Budget Workshop**

Rob Tietz, Beth Deardorff and the Board reviewed the new staff asks for the county. Golightly said that the Mental Health Region has budgeted for a new position to manage the new state reporting requirements. Deardorff stated that the employment index was released and the salaries were updated. Tietz reported on the levy and the dollars regenerated. The Board discussed capital projects and prioritizing them.

**Item 13: Other Business** – Mike Wallace said that David Michaelson signed the rental agreement for the Voas area farmland. Hanson said it will be on a future agenda. Golightly said that it may be interesting to investigate how to give an in-kind contribution to watershed management in possibly the form of a fiscal agent. Brad voicemail – State of Iowa broadband outreach wanting to learn more about broadband in Dallas County. Hanson said that the county already worked with the cities on the study about broadband in the county.

**Item 14:** Motion to adjourn - Motion by Chapman and seconded by Golightly to adjourn the meeting at 12:33 p.m.  
All ayes. Motion carried.

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Julia Helm, Dallas County Auditor

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Mark A. Hanson, Chairman